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Populations of X-Chromosome Bearing and Y-Chromosome
Bearing Spermatozoa
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

The Applicant hereby submits the following submission in this case as a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. This submission consists of an amendment and request for reconsideration and is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2006. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set, making a response to the Office Action due on or by July 3, 2006. The Applicant is requesting that this time period be extended for three months to and including October 3, 2006 and has included a Petition for Extension of Time along with the prescribed fee.

This Request for Continued Examination is appropriate because:

- i) this request is made prior to payment of the issue fee [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a)(1)];
- ii) the application has not been abandoned [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a)(2)];

- iii) no notice of appeal has been filed [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a)(3)];
- iv) prosecution on the application is closed by either a final action or issuance of a notice of allowance [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (b)];
- v) this application is not a provisional application [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (e)(1)];
- vi) this is not a utility patent application filed before June 8, 1995 [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (e)(2)];
- vii) this application is not an international application filed under 35 U.S.C. § 363 before June 8, 1995 [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (e)(3)];
- viii) this application is not a design patent application [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (e)(4)]; and
- ix) this is not a patent under reexamination [37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (e)(5)].

The response is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 using the format with each heading beginning on a separate page as follows:

1. Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this response; and
2. Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.

To respond to all issues and concerns raised in the Office Action, this amendment and request for reconsideration is submitted. Each amendment is believed to have been made in accordance with Rule 121. However, should any unintended informality exist, it is requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone so that the informality may be resolved as expediently as possible. The Applicant further notes it is believed that the current amendments do not incur any claim fees. However, should any claim fees be due, it is again requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone so that the informality may be resolved as expediently as possible.